BEFORE THE ARIZONA VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF:

RESPONDENT.

LORNA LANMAN, DVM

HOLDER OF LICENSE NO. 3480

FOR THE PRACTICE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA,

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Case No.: 22-13

CONSENT AGREEMENT FINDINGS OF FACT CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of the above captioned matter before the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board ("Board") and consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and responsibilities of the Board, and pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2201 <u>et. seq</u> and A.R.S. § 41-1092.07(F)(5), the undersigned party, Lorna Lanman, DVM ("Respondent"), holder of license No. 3480 for the practice of veterinary medicine in Arizona and the Board enter into this Consent Agreement, Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as final disposition of this matter.

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Respondent understands and agrees that:

- 1. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2201, <u>et. seq.</u>
- 2. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Consent Agreement. Respondent has a right to a public hearing concerning this case. She further acknowledges that at such hearing

she could present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. Respondent irrevocably waives her right to such a hearing.

- 3. Respondent irrevocably waives any right to rehearing or review or to any judicial review or any other appeal of these matters.
- 4. The Consent Agreement, once approved by the Board and signed by the Respondent, shall constitute a public record, which may be disseminated as a formal action of the Board. Sufficient evidence exists for the Board to make the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth in the Consent Agreement.
- 5. Respondent acknowledges and understands that this Consent Agreement will not become effective until the Board approves it and it is signed by the Board's Executive Director. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that upon signing and returning this Consent Agreement to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke her acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the document, regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been issued by the Executive Director.
- 6. If any part of the Consent Agreement is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.
- 7. Respondent acknowledges that any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2232 and may result in disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2234.
- 8. This Consent Agreement and Order is effective on the date signed by the Board.

DATED this ______ day of _____ARCH 2022.

Lorna Lonman, DVM

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On August 13, 2021, the Board received information alleging that Respondent was allowing an unlicensed staff member to perform surgeries on publicly owned animals. There were also concerns noted related to Respondent's premises.
- 2. Respondent was notified that a complaint had been opened against her related to the allegation that she may have allowed an unlicensed person to perform veterinary services at her premises such as spay and neuter surgeries.
- 3. In response to the complaint, Respondent informed the Board that she employed a veterinary student who was attending the Universidad de Valle de Mexico ("UVM") and acknowledged that he did perform certain veterinary procedures.
- 4. UVM is not a veterinary college as defined by A.R.S. § 32-2201(27) and does not conform to the standards required for accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association. Accordingly, Respondent's reliance on A.R.S. § 32-2211(4) as it relates to the veterinary services the student provided is misplaced.
- 5. The initial information provided to the Board also raised concerns related to Respondent's premises. To address these concerns, the Board

conducted a premises inspection. During the inspection multiple concerns were identified.

- 6. Respondent was notified, among other things, of the following concerns:
 - a. A.A.C. R3-11-502(D) Expired supplies;
 - b. A.A.C. R3-11-502(J)(2) Expired prescription-only items; and
 - c. A.A.C. R3-11-805(B) Prescription-only items accessible to the public.
- 7. Respondent was also advised that it was noted that there were at least 240 tablets of unaccounted for/missing Phenobarbital 60mg tablets.
- 8. In her response to these concerns, Respondent advised the Board that the issues have been corrected. Respondent further stated that their records for Phenobarbital 60mg do not indicate any are missing. Respondent did not provide proof or copies of the logs to substantiate that there were no errors or unaccounted for Phenobarbital.
- 9. The Board eventually consolidated the concerns raised during the premises inspection with those related to her permitting an unlicensed individual to perform veterinary services.
- 10. The Order, as set forth below, reflects the fact that some of the potential violations found during the premises inspection were identical to concerns raised during prior inspections. Like now, Respondent, at the time claimed that the concerns identified were corrected.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2232(18) as it relates to A.A.C. R3-11-502(J)(2) failure to ensure prescription-only drugs are

returned to the manufacturer or distributor no later than 30 days after its expiration date.

- 2. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2232(18) as it relates to A.A.C. R3-11-502(D) failure to ensure that no expired supplies are used.
- 3. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of **A.R.S. § 32-2232(18)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-805(B)** failure to ensure prescription-only drugs are not stored in an area that are accessible to the public.
- 4. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2232(18) as it relates to A.R.S. § 32-2274(A)(5) failure to store the controlled substance, Phenobarbital, in a safe manner.
- 5. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of **A.R.S. § 32-2232(6)** for having professional connection with, or lending one's name to, any legal practitioner of veterinary medicine and the various branches thereof.

ORDER

- 1. Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law it is **ORDERED** that Respondent, License No. 3480, pay a civil penalty of **five thousand dollars (\$5000.00)** one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) per violation, in the form of a **cashier's check, certified check,** or **money order** made payable to the Arizona Veterinary Medical Examining Board. The civil penalty is to be paid within 120 days of the effective date of the Consent Agreement.
- 2. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws/rules governing the practice of veterinary medicine in this state.
- Respondent shall bear all costs of complying with this Consent Agreement.

4. This Consent Agreement is conclusive evidence of the matters described and may be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in the event a subsequent violation occurs. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Consent Agreement, the Board may, after opportunity for Informal Interview or Formal Hearing, take any other appropriate disciplinary action authorized by law, including suspension or revocation of Respondent's license.

ISSUED THIS 30⁺ DAY OF March, 2022.

FOR THE BOARD:

ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Jim Loughead, Chairperson

By **Scious Melmon**Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director

Original of the foregoing filed

this 30 day of Mark, 2022 with:

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